NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

TITLE 9. HEALTH SERVICES

CHAPTER 31. ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM (AHCCCS)

CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

PREAMBLE

1. Sections Affected Rulemaking Action

Article 2 Amend
R9-31-216 Amend
Article 16 Amend
R9-31-1614 Amend

2. The statutory authority for the rulemaking, including both the authorizing statute (general) and the statutes the rules are implementing (specific):

Authorizing statute: ARS § 36-2986 Implementing statute: ARS § 36-2989

3. A list of all previous notices appearing in the Register addressing the proposed rule:

Notice of Docket Opening: 13 A.A.R. Code Editor to fill in, June 22, 2007

4. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rulemaking:

Name: Mariaelena Ugarte

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701 E. Jefferson, Mail Drop 6200

Phoenix, AZ 85034

Telephone: (602) 417-4693 Fax: (602) 253-9115

E-mail: AHCCCSRules@azahcccs.gov

5. An explanation of the rule, including the agency's reasons for initiating the rule:

The proposed rule is intended to clarify that personal care services are not limited to assistance with bathing and grooming.

6. A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and either proposes to rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule or proposes not to rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:

The Administration did not rely, review or refer to any study for purposes of this rule change.

7. A showing of good cause why the rule is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rule will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:

Not applicable

8. The preliminary summary of the economic, small business, and consumer impact:

The rule change removes terms that limit the scope of personal care services. By removing these terms the scope of this service is expanded. The change is anticipated to have a minimal economic impact to the Administration and its Contractors.

9. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the accuracy of the economic, small business, and consumer impact statement:

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Proposed rule language will be available on the AHCCCS website www.azahcccs.gov the week of June 11, 2007. Please send written comments to the above address by 5:00 p.m., August 6, 2007. E-mail comments will also be accepted during this timeframe.

10. The time, place, and nature of the proceedings for the making, amendment, or repeal of the rule, or if no proceeding is scheduled, where, when, and how persons may request an oral proceeding on the proposed rule:

Date: August 6, 2007
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Location: AHCCCS

701 East Jefferson Phoenix, AZ 85034

Nature: Public Hearing

Date: August 6, 2007
Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: ALTCS: Arizona Long-Term Care System

110 South Church, Suite 1360

Tucson, AZ 85701

Nature: Public Hearing

Date: August 6, 2007

Time: 10:30 a.m.

Location: ALTCS: Arizona Long-Term Care System

3480 East Route 66

Flagstaff, AZ 86004

Nature: Public Hearing

11. Any other matters prescribed by statute that are applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules:

None

12. Incorporations by reference and their location in the rules:

None

13. The full text of the rules follows:

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Article ARTICLE 2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

Section

R9-31-216. NF, Alternative HCBS Setting, or HCBS

Article ARTICLE 16. SERVICES FOR NATIVE AMERICANS

Section

R9-31-1614. NF, Alternative HCBS Setting, or HCBS

TITLE 9. HEALTH SERVICES

CHAPTER 31. ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST CONTAINMENT SYSTEM CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM

Article ARTICLE 2. SCOPE OF SERVICES

R9-31-216. NF, Alternative HCBS Setting, or HCBS

- A. Services provided in a NF, including room and board, alternative HCBS setting as defined in R9-28-101, or HCBS as defined in R9-28-101 are covered for a maximum of 90 days per contract year if the member's medical condition would otherwise require hospitalization.
- B. Except as otherwise provided in 9 A.A.C. 28, the following services are not itemized for separate billing if provided in a NF, alternative HCBS setting, or HCBS:
 - 1. Nursing services including:
 - a. Administering medication,
 - b. Tube feedings,
 - c. Personal care services (assistance with bathing and grooming),
 - d. Routine testing of vital signs, and
 - e. Maintenance of catheter.
 - 2. Basic patient care equipment and sickroom supplies, including:
 - a. First aid supplies such as bandages, tape, ointment, peroxide, alcohol, and over-the-counter remedies;
 - b. Bathing and grooming supplies;
 - c. Identification device;
 - d. Skin lotion;
 - e. Medication cup;
 - f. Alcohol wipes, cotton balls, and cotton rolls;
 - g. Rubber gloves (non-sterile);
 - h. Laxatives;
 - i. Bed and accessories;

j. Thermometer;
k. Ice bags;
1. Rubber sheeting;
m. Passive restraints;
n. Glycerin swabs;

- o. Facial tissue;
- p. Enemas;
- q. Heating pad; and
- r. Diapers.
- 3. Dietary services including preparation and administration of special diets, and adaptive tools for eating;
- 4. Any service that is included in a NF's room and board charge or a service that is required of the NF to meet a federal mandate, state licensure standard, or county certification requirement;
- 5. Physician visits made solely for the purpose of meeting a state licensure standard or county certification requirement;
- 6. Physical therapy; and
- 7. Assistive device or non-customized DME.

Article ARTICLE 16. SERVICES FOR NATIVE AMERICANS

R9-31-1614. NF, Alternative HCBS Setting, or HCBS

- A. Services provided in a NF including room and board, alternative HCBS setting, or HCBS as defined in R9-28-101 are covered for a maximum of 90 days per contract year if the member's medical condition would otherwise require hospitalization.
- B. Except as otherwise provided in 9 A.A.C. 28, the following services are not itemized for separate billing if provided in a NF, alternative HCBS setting, or HCBS:
 - 1. Nursing services including:
 - a. Administration of medication,
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federal mandate, state licensure standard, or county certification requirement;
5. Physical therapy; and
6. Assistive device or non-customized DME.
C. The Administration shall prior authorize each NF admission outside the IHS or a Tribal Facility's service area.